

The following Noblemen and Gentlemen were reported duly elected Officers and Council for the ensuing year :—

President.—The Lord Wrottesley, M.A.

Treasurer.—Major-General Edward Sabine, R.A., D.C.L.

Secretaries.—{ William Sharpey, M.D.
George Gabriel Stokes, Esq., M.A., D.C.L.

Foreign Secretary.—William Hallows Miller, Esq., M.A.

Other Members of the Council.—James Moncrieff Arnott, Esq. ; William Benjamin Carpenter, M.D. ; Arthur Cayley, Esq. ; The Very Rev. The Dean of Ely ; William Fairbairn, Esq. ; Arthur Farre, M.D. ; William Robert Grove, Esq., M.A. ; Joseph Dalton Hooker, M.D. ; William Hopkins, Esq., M.A. ; William Allen Miller, M.D. ; Lyon Playfair, Esq., C.B., Ph.D. ; Rev. Bartholomew Price, M.A. ; Sir James Clark Ross, Capt. R.N., D.C.L. ; Rear-Admiral W. H. Smyth, D.C.L. ; John Stenhouse, LL.D. ; John Tyndall, Esq., Ph.D.

The following Table shows the progress and present state of the Society with respect to the number of Fellows :—

	Patron and Honorary.	Foreign.	Having com- pounded.	Paying £2 12s. annually.	Paying £4 annually.	Total.
December 1, 1855..	9	49	385	13	273	729
Since elected .....	.....	+ 2	+ 3	.....	+ 12	+ 17
Re-admitted .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	+ 1	+ 1
Since compounded..	.....	.....	+ 4	.....	— 4	
Withdrawn .....	.....	.....	.....	— 2	.....	— 2
Since deceased ....	.....	— 1	— 16	— 1	— 7	— 25
November 30, 1856	9	50	376	10	275	720

Statement of the Receipts and Payments of the Royal Society between November 30, 1855, and December 1, 1856.

	£	s.	d.
Subscriptions and Compositions	1643	4	0
Rents	186	15	2
Dividends on Stock	1092	7	11
Sale of Transactions, Proceedings, &c.	297	16	0
Sale of 3 r. and 20 p. Acton Estate	360	0	0
Bequest, Henry Lawson, Esq., F.R.S.	200	0	0

Estates and Property of the Royal Society, including Trust Fund.

Estate at Mablethorpe, Lincolnshire (55 A. 2 R. 2 P.), £116 16s. per annum.
 Estate at Acton, Middlesex (28 A. 0 R. 21 P.), £50 0s. 0d. per annum.
 Fee farm rent in Sussex, £19 4s. per annum.
 One-fifth of the clear rent of an estate at Lambeth Hill, from the College of Physicians, £3 per annum.
 £14,000 Reduced 3 per cent. Annuities.
 £25,169 16s. Consolidated Bank Annuities.
 £513 9s. 8d. New 2½ per cent. Stock.

EDWARD SABINE,
Treasurer.

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	£	s.	d.
Balance due to the Treasurer	255	9	8
Bishop of Oxford, Fairchild Lecture	2	16	0
Professor Thomson, Bakerian Lecture	4	0	0
Salaries and Wages	752	10	6
Purchase of £589 11s. 9d. 3 per cent. Consols	560	0	0
Fire Insurance	45	1	6
Printing Transactions	318	0	3
Ditto Proceedings	143	17	7
Ditto Miscellaneous	56	1	6
Engraving	363	11	8
Paper for Transactions and Proceedings	229	3	0
Binding Transactions	68	17	0
Books Purchased and Binding	246	11	0
Stationery	14	12	0
Shipping Expenses	3	7	10
Fire and Lighting	33	3	0
House Expenses	120	15	0
Taxes	57	5	5
Runford Fund	133	6	4
Copley Fund	5	11	0
Donation Fund	115	0	0
Worthington Fund	33	15	0
Postage, Miscellaneous and Petty Charges	80	13	7
Balance in the hands of the Treasurer	136	14	3

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